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II.  New International Application

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- A.  The invention was made in the United States.
- B.  There is no prior U.S. application relating to this invention.
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- D.  The present international application  is identical  contains less subject matter than that found in the prior U.S. application(s) identified in paragraph C.
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III.  A Response to an Invitation from the RO/US. The following documents(s) is (are) enclosed.

- A.  A Request for An Extension of Time to File a Response (Attached)
- B.  A Power of Attorney (General or Regular)
- C.  Replacement pages:

pages	of the request (PCTRO/101)	pages	of the figures
pages	of the description	pages	of the abstract
pages	of the claims		

- D.  Submission of Priority Documents

Priority document	Priority document
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- E.  Fees as specified on attached Fee Calculation sheet form PCT/RO101 annex

IV.  A Request for Rectification under PCT 91  A Petition  A Sequence Listing DisketteV.  Other (please specify): Form 905 with Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- English Translation of the IA
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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